

FIFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Tuesday, April 24, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	Johnson of Hall.
Bee.	King.
Buchanan of Bell.	Lattimore.
Buchanan of Scurry.	McCollum.
Clark.	Page.
Dayton.	Parr.
Dean.	Robbins.
Decherd.	Smith.
Gibson.	Strickland.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Westbrook.
Hopkins.	Woodward.
Hudspeth.	

Absent.

Caldwell. McNealus.

Absent—Excused.

Alderdice.	Henderson.
Floyd.	Johnston of Harris.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with, on motion of Senator Smith.

Petitions and Memorials.

There were none today.

Committee Reports.

See Appendix.

Bills and Resolutions.**Simple Resolution No. 13.**

Whereas, The nation is now at war and all its available military force will probably be called out of Texas for the purpose of reorganizing new armies; and,

Whereas, Because of the geographical location as a border State, it will be necessary for us to defend our border and State by our military forces; and,

Whereas, It will be necessary for

us to organize and augment the National Guard of Texas threefold as early as possible, and to expend large sums of money in doing so; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we respectfully request the Governor to submit as a matter of legislation an appropriation of not less than \$1,000,000 for the purpose of the above set forth.

Clark, Buchanan of Scurry, Smith, Hall, King, Decherd, Johnson, Westbrook, Lattimore, Hudspeth, Gibson, Woodward, Strickland, Robbins, Harley, Buchanan of Bell, McNealus, Dayton.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Simple Resolution No. 14.

Whereas, Major George W. Littlefield, Captain Sam S. Ashe, Major B. F. Weems and their associates, survivors of Terry's Texas Rangers, cherishing with unfailing memory the achievements of their illustrious leader, General John A. Wharton, are desirous of presenting a portrait of General Wharton to the State of Texas and have requested that it be accepted by the State and that it be hung upon the walls of the Texas Senate, of which body General Wharton's father was a member, for the twofold purpose that its presence here may testify not only to their love and admiration for their great leader, but that it may serve as a reminder to generations yet to be born the appreciation of these splendid Texans of the virtues, courage and devotion, both as a citizen and a soldier, of him whom they followed through a long and bloody war; therefore be it

Resolved by the Texas Senate, That said portrait be accepted and that it be assigned a place and be properly hung upon the walls of this Chamber, and that this resolution be made a special order for Friday morning, April 27, 1917, at 10 o'clock.

Bee, Page, Hudspeth, Westbrook, Strickland.

The resolution was read and, on motion of Senator Bee, the same was set as a special order for next Friday at the conclusion of the morning call.

Morning call concluded.

Senate Bill No. 4.

By unanimous consent and on request of Senator Lattimore, the Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading:

S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act enlarging the Columbus Independent School District, in Colorado County, Texas, defining its boundaries as enlarged, etc., and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Lattimore, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended.

The committee report that the bill be not printed was adopted.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read second time and passed to engrossment.

Senate Bill No. 5.

By unanimous consent and on request of Senator Lattimore, the Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act extending the boundaries of the Rock Island Independent School District, enlarging the same and defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended.

The committee report that the bill be not printed was adopted.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read second time and, on motion of Senator Lattimore, was passed to engrossment.

Bills Signed.

The Chair (President Pro Tem. Suiter) gave notice of signing and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following bills:

S. C. R. No. 1 "Providing that the joint rules of the House and Senate adopted by both houses of the Thirty-fifth Legislature be adopted as the joint rules for the First Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature."

S. C. R. No. 2, "Providing that the Enrolling Clerk of the Senate and the Enrolling Clerk of the House be directed and required to make carbon copies of all enrolled bills and resolutions that are sent to the Governor for his approval, and they shall fur-

nish said copies to the Secretary of State at the same time the original enrolled bills and resolutions are transmitted to the Governor."

Adjournment.

At 10:40 o'clock a. m., on motion of Senator Dayton, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.**Committee Reports.**

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, April 24, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act enlarging the Columbus Independent School District, in Colorado County, Texas, defining its boundaries as enlarged, and providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district, provided that none of the land and territory added by this Act to said Columbus Independent School District shall be subjected to the payment of any portion of the local maintenance tax now levied, assessed and collected in said district, except in so far as the same may be hereafter voted by the people of said enlarged district, as provided by the general laws of this State, naming the fiscal year as to taxes, investing said district with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

BEE, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, April 24, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act extending the boundaries of the Rock Island Independent School

District, enlarging the same and defining its boundaries, and providing that the management and control of all public free schools within said enlarged district shall be vested in the present board of public school trustees of the Rock Island Independent School District and their successors in office, as now provided in the general laws of the State of Texas governing independent school districts, and providing that their said successors shall be elected and qualified and shall have such authority as is now conferred by the general laws of the State of Texas upon boards of public school trustees of independent school districts, and providing that such added land and territory shall not be in any manner subjected to the payment of any portion of the bonded indebtedness now outstanding against the present Rock Island Independent School District, the district as it existed prior to the enlargement thereof by the passage of this Act, and providing that none of the land, territory and property by this Act added to said Rock Island Independent School District shall be subjected to the payment of any portion of the local maintenance tax now levied, assessed and collected in said district, except in so far as the same may have been heretofore levied and assessed by a vote of the people in said added territory as now provided by the general laws of this State, or as may be hereafter voted by the people of said enlarged district, as provided by the general laws of this State, and investing said Rock Island Independent School District with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts, incorporated for free school purposes only, as now provided by the general laws of the State of Texas for such districts, naming the fiscal year as to taxes, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

BEE, Chairman.

SIXTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Wednesday, April 25, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and

was called to order by President Pro Tem. Suiter.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	King.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Buchanan of Bell.	McCollum.
Buchanan of Scurry.	McNealus.
Clark.	Page.
Dayton.	Parr.
Dean.	Robbins.
Decherd.	Smith.
Gibson.	Strickland.
Hall.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Westbrook.
Hopkins.	Woodward.
Johnson of Hall.	

Absent.

Caldwell.	Hudspeth.
Harley.	

Absent—Excused.

Alderdice.	Johnston of Harris.
Floyd.	

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.

Petitions and Memorials.

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Stenographers Appointed.

Senator Decherd announced the appointment of Mr. Henry Marshall as his stenographer, effective April 18.

Senator Page announced the appointment of Miss Elizabeth Martin as his stenographer, effective April 18.

Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, April 25, 1917.
Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House